



TESTIMONY
of the
CONNECTICUT CONFERENCE OF MUNICIPALITIES
to the
GOVERNMENT ADMINISTRATION & ELECTIONS COMMITTEE

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CCM is Connecticut's statewide association of towns and cities and the voice of local government - your partners in governing Connecticut. Our members represent over 93% of Connecticut's population. We appreciate this opportunity to testify before you on issues of concern to towns and cities.

CCM has concerns with Raised House Bill 5322 "An Act Concerning Expenditure Thresholds For a Group Organized Solely for the Purpose of Promoting the Success or the Defeat of Referendum Question."

This seems contrary to recent election finance reform measures and a movement towards more accountability and transparency. CCM is unaware of any widespread problem that would necessitate a relaxing of the laws in this way.

CCM urges the committee to **take no action** on this bill.

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